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Australia, Canada, China, Colombia*, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Indonesia**, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, New Zealand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the United States of America: revised draft resolution

Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the validity of the objectives and commitments on development adopted by the General Assembly and other United Nations bodies, especially the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, 1/ the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, 2/ the Declaration on the Right to Development, 3/

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* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77.

** On behalf of States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries.

1/ Resolution S-18/3, annex.

2/ Resolution 45/199, annex.

3/ Resolution 41/128.

the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, 4/ the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s, 5/ the Cartagena Commitment, 6/ the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and Agenda 21, 7/ which provide an overall framework for furthering international economic cooperation for development,

Noting the ongoing work of the Secretary-General in the preparation of a report on an agenda for development, as requested by the General Assembly in resolution 47/181 of 22 December 1992,

Recognizing the trends towards regional cooperation and integration, interdependence of nations and the globalization of economic issues and problems,

Convinced that universal peace, security and prosperity cannot be fully achieved in the absence of economic and social development and improvements in international economic relations,

Bearing in mind the interlinkages of economic problems and between the economic and social aspects of development, and aware that among the most compelling challenges facing the world community are the acceleration of development, the eradication of poverty, and the need to address disparities among countries and to forge genuine international economic cooperation and partnership for development,

Reaffirming that the United Nations has a central role in promoting international cooperation for development and in bringing development issues to the attention of the international community,

Noting the role of the Secretary-General in encouraging all countries to engage in a constructive dialogue for advancing development and in facilitating their efforts in that regard,

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4/ Resolution 46/151, annex, sect. II.

5/ Report of the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Paris, 3-14 September 1990 (A/CONF.147/18), part one.

6/ TD/364, part one, sect. A, "A New Partnership for Development: The Cartagena Commitment", adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its eighth session, held at Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, from 8 to 25 February 1992.

7/ See Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992 (A/CONF.151/26/Rev.1 (Vol. I and Vol. I/Corr.1, Vol. II, Vol. III and Vol. III/Corr.1)) (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigenda), vol. I: Resolutions adopted by the Conference, resolution 1.

Convinced that the commitment to cooperation and partnership for development which has been evolving in various forums in recent years constitutes a good foundation from which to advance and promote international economic cooperation for development, which commitment has been clearly manifested in several documents, especially the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, 1/ the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, 2/ the Declaration on the Right to Development, 3/ the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, 4/ the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s, 5/ the Cartagena Commitment 6/ adopted at the eighth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, and the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and Agenda 21, 7/ adopted by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development,

Further convinced of the importance of continuing to build upon the spirit of cooperation and partnership for development through constructive dialogue among all countries, in particular between the developed and developing countries, for the purpose of promoting an international economic environment conducive to sustainable development,

1. Reaffirms the need to strengthen constructive dialogue and partnership in order to promote further international economic cooperation for development;

2. Also reaffirms that such a dialogue should be conducted in response to the imperatives of mutual interests and benefits, genuine interdependence, shared responsibilities and the partnership for sustainable development as established at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, and that the United Nations system should play a central role in facilitating such a dialogue;

3. Further reaffirms that the United Nations has a central role in promoting international cooperation for development and in bringing development issues to the attention of the international community;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to present to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session an analysis and recommendations on ways and means to promote such a dialogue, reflecting the ongoing work on an agenda for development and taking into account the progress achieved in the implementation of the commitment referred to in the eighth preambular paragraph above.